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NEW MEXICO ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT TO HOLD MEETING TUESDAY JULY 17, 2012 IN HOBBS CONCERNING GROUND WATER DISCHARGE PERMIT FOR RANCHO DAL PASO (FORMERLY ADOBE VILLAGE) RESIDENTIAL COMPLEX (DP-1524)

WHAT: The New Mexico Environment Department's (NMED) Ground Water Quality Bureau (GWQB) will hold an informational meeting to discuss the proposed Discharge Permit Renewal and Modification for the Rancho Dal Paso (formerly known as Adobe Village) residential complex. The owner of the facility, Norman Rubin, proposes to renew and modify the Discharge Permit for the discharge of up to 6,000 gallons per day of domestic wastewater. The modification consists of replacing the existing septic tank/leachfield system with a synthetically lined evaporative impoundment. Potential contaminants associated with this type of discharge include nitrogen compounds. The facility is located along North Dal Paso Street, approximately 5.5 miles North of Hobbs, in Section 2, Township 18S, Range 38E, Lea County. Ground water beneath the site is at a depth of approximately 90 feet and has a total dissolved solids concentration of approximately 450 milligrams per liter.

WHERE: Room BMH MP (111-114) Larry Hanna Training and Outreach Facility, New Mexico Junior College, Hobbs, NM

WHEN: At 6:00 PM, Tuesday July 17, 2012

WHY: The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the requirements and regulatory framework of the proposed Discharge Permit, the public hearing process and to understand public concerns related to the permit. Interested persons may review the proposed Discharge Permit at http://www.nmenv.state.nm.us/gwb/documents/pn2 4-27-12/DP1524 RanchoDalPaso.pdf.

WHO: NMED staff will be at the meeting to answer questions from the public.

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